



# Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### SITE 300 NEIGHBORS

The "Annual Burn" at Site 300, the LLNL Experimental Test Facility, could start as early as May 31, 2004 if favorable weather conditions occur. The burn is conducted every year to prevent fires from becoming a problem later in the year after the grasses are sun-baked. The firebreaks to contain the burn are now being constructed in preparation for the burn.

We only burn on approved fire days, never when the wind is high or conditions are not right. We never burn at night. Our fire department ensures fires are completely out before we leave an area that has been burned. Smoke from the resulting fires is monitored. Burns are stopped if unfavorable conditions develop during the day.

The burn area this year will be about the same size as in past years, and the burn activities will take about the same amount of time. That's about 6 workdays of actual activity, which can take several weeks while waiting for the right conditions on approved fire days. We hope to be completed by the end of June if the weather cooperates, but we could still be working through July if it doesn't.

The burn will be carefully controlled. Our fire department conducts the burn and monitors all related activities. As in previous years, a portion of the burn will be done at different times along stretches of the site boundary, starting with our eastern border.

Neighbors may find out when a burn may be done near their property by calling the Site 300 Environmental Manager, Karen Folks at (925) 423-2367, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Please call Bert Heffner, Environmental Community Relations Manager at (925) 424-4026 or e-mail [heffner1@llnl.gov](mailto:heffner1@llnl.gov) if you can't reach Karen Folks or have a question about something other than the burn.